

It is simply falsehood to say that we love God if we do not keep his commandments.

Will obedience to God's commandments require church membership? Acts 2: 47.

Open confession of Christ? Romans 10: 10.

Giving to missions? 1 Corinthians 16: 2.

What are some commands commonly disobeyed?

5. Obedience is a means of spiritual growth. 1 Peter 1: 22.

Many cease to grow after joining church thinking that they have the passport to salvation. But salvation is ours in proportion as we are able to appreciate it, and only by growing in obedience can we grow in knowledge of full salvation. Error and wrong are eliminated as we obey the truth.

6. Obedience must be from the heart. 1 Cor. 13: 1-4.

7. Even the thoughts must be kept in subjection. 2 Corinthians 10: 5.

8. The life of obedience to God is a life of love to men. John 13: 34.

9. Obedience is the secret of power. John 15: 7.

10. Obedience to God was the supreme motive of the apostles. Acts 5: 29.

11. The example of Jesus.

John 8: 29, Obedient always.

John 14: 31, In word and deed.

Phil. 2: 8, Even to death.

Hebrew 5: 8, Learned thru suffering.

12. The reward of obedience.

The Spirit's indwelling, Acts 5: 32.

Fellowship with Jesus, Matthew 12: 48-50.

Life eternal, Revelation 22: 14.

Name other rewards of obedience.

Are those who will not obey God because they desire freedom really free? Romans 6: 16.

Why is obedience better than sacrifice?

Can we be outwardly obedient and inwardly disobedient?

Can we be inwardly obedient and outwardly disobedient?

How can we cultivate obedience?

C. F. YODER.

Ashland C. E.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at the College is strong. Among the many meetings held during each week, this is one of the most interesting and helpful. We have fifty five active members and eight honorary members. Each Sunday evening at 5:15 the general subject is taken up and discussed. Each one contributes something to the lesson and in return receives a hundred fold.

If the young people of the Brethren church could once know the good that comes thru a careful study of the C. E. topics, we would find in each congregation a strong society, not only awakening its own members to the truth and a higher life, but aiding every good movement that stands for the advancement of God's kingdom and sending out workers into the field of service.

On the last Sunday evening of each month the roll is called, each member responding with a favorite verse of scripture. On the same evening a missionary collection is taken. This money goes into the state fund and five dollars has been sent to the Philadelphia C. E. to aid in the support and education of our young Persian brother. We talk missions, support missions and are missionary in spirit. Last month the aver-

age attendance was fifty and the collection five dollars.

The topics for this quarter are beautiful ones. Let us take hold of them and search for the lessons that will beautify our lives, that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus the Christ.

GRACE MOOMAW, Sec.

The Ashland Junior C. E. Society

I do not remember of ever seeing anything from junior workers thru the columns of our paper. Why not? Is this work not an important one? I believe we are awakening to the fact that it is necessary and important that we take more interest in our little ones.

I have just returned from our Junior society and I always return home with renewed courage and more love in my heart for my Master. Why not? To see about thirty little ones trying in their own earnest way to learn more of the one who said "Suffer the children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven" fills one with true devotion and blessing seldom realized elsewhere.

Our Junior was organized while brother C. F. Yoder was with us, with fifty members. On account of winter storms and cold many of these are not permitted to be with us, but we have an attendance of about thirty when it is not too stormy.

We are in good working order now with Clyde Murray as president, Ora Garber vice president, Virgie Hamilton secretary, Anna Robison treasurer and Florence Le Fever organizer. Thus the meetings are in the hands of the Juniors.

Quite a number of our Juniors take "The Junior C. E. World" and we will get the C. E. pins before long. We are loyal and in this way can show our loyalty which is the duty of every Christian. We have various committees and altho we work now, when cold winter leaves and sunny spring returns we expect to be a very busy little band. Each one reads the daily readings as outlined on our topic cards and often bring good thoughts to the meetings. All the sick that we can reach are given comfort powders in the name of Juniors. Our comfort powders are such verses of Scripture that we think will be a comfort to the suffering ones. The flower committee is busy contemplating what they will do when the flowers come in the spring. Each one wants something to do a pattern worthy of imitation by older people.

Fellow workers, why can't we have a Junior society in every congregation? If we but stop to think of its importance, is it not our duty to help feed the hungry little souls? For I do believe that they hunger for more knowledge of Jesus. Come, there is surely some good brother or sister in every congregation who can help the little ones in this way. Then let us have a Junior department in our paper and in this way help and encourage each other. We are held responsible for these little ones and the good we may do cannot be estimated.

Mrs. A. H. LIGHTY.

Christian Life

What is Your Religion Worth?

A gentleman was traveling from Cambridge to York, and as a true servant of the Lord Jesus he sought ever to be about his divine Master's business. Ere he started he furnished himself with a pocketful of tracts, and as the train glided out of Cambridge station he began to hand them around.

One of the passengers refused, and taking a race card from his pocket, he held it up, saying, "You see this; that's my religion." "Is it, my friend?" "Yes", he replied. "I suppose you have a good many of those cards." "Oh, yes, I have them pinned all over my mantelpiece." "Well, then, go on and collect as many more as you can; pin them all around your room; and when the doctor tells you that you have only ten minutes to live, take them all down, count them over, and see what your religion is worth."

They sat quiet, the one in silent prayer and the other in anxious thought. When the gentleman opened the door to alight the man said: "I say, you can give me one of those papers if you will." The tract was immediately given; but the result is known only to him who will not let his word return void, but will make it accomplish its purpose.

Sweet and Fair

The world is sweet, the world is fair,
To earnest workers all;
Its mornings dawn in beauty rare,
Its evenings tranquil fall.
Or high or low in its degree,
The task our souls must share;
If but its noble aim we see,
The world is sweet and fair.

—Ripley D. Saunders.

WHY NOT REJOICE MORE?

T. L. CUYLER

Every child of God may well rejoice because he has such a Father in heaven. "I have set the Lord always before me; therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth." This refers to the experiences of the present life, and then up at his right hand will be the "pleasures for evermore." It is a bad heart that skulks away from a loving father in sullen distrust and dread. Then, too, what joy is kindled in our souls when we are brought into full reconciliation with God, thru the atoning love and mediation of Jesus Christ! The returning prodigal's heart thrills under every kiss of his forgiving Father.

"Earth has a joy unknown in heaven.
The new born peace of sins forgiven.
Tears of such pure and deep delight,
Ye angels, never dimmed your sight."

The assurance of a full salvation is enough to keep our hearts aglow. "I give unto you eternal life," says our omnipotent Saviour; "ye shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck you out of my hand." All things work together for good if we love God.